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BEIRUT AND CASABLANCA FOR RCAA

- 1. FAA ADVISES TU-154 HAS HAD SEVERAL SERIOUS SAFETY PROBLEMS INCLUDING: FUEL TRANSFER SYSTEM MALFUNCTIONS; FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM INEFFECTIVENESS; CENTER-OF-GRAVITY LOADING PROBLEMS; EXCESSIVE FUEL CONSUMPTION. AIRCRAFT ALSO HAS POOR OPERATING ECONOMICS.
- 2. FAA AND DEPT HAVE NO RECORD OF BALKAN AIRLINES SAFETY HISTORY. INGERSOLL

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